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In re Patent Application of)
Shunpei YAMAZAKI et al.)
Serial No. 09/295,607) Group Art Unit: 2811
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.97(d)(3)

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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.99, it is requested that the reference listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record in the above-identified application.

Japanese Patent Laid-Open Nos. 61-256663, 62-181419, and 4-192466 and the article by Liu et al. were cited February 29, 2000 in the corresponding Japanese patent application. Thus, these references are being submitted within

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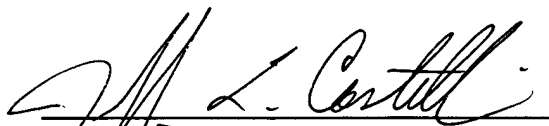
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d)(3), Applicants hereby petition for consideration of the instant *Information Disclosure Statement*. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the requisite petition fee of \$130.00. A duplicate of this paper is submitted herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16, 1.17, 1.20(a), 1.20(b), 1.20(c), and 1.20(d) (except the Issue Fee) which may be required now or hereafter, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2380 (0756-1961).

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